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SUBJ: REPORT OF MARCH MEETING OF NATO MARITIME PATROL AIR-  
CRAFT STEERING COMMITTEE ( NMPASC)

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REF: ( A) NATO DOCUMENT CD(73) A/3 ( NOTAL)

( B) USNATO 0852 (151729 Z FEB 73)

( C) USNATO 715 (081710 Z FEB 73) ( NOTAL)

( D) STATE 039514 (030042 Z MAR 73) ( NOTAL)

1. THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE NMPASC WAS HELD IN PARIS,  
8 MARCH 1973. THE FOLLOWING NATIONS WERE REPRESENTED: FRANCE,  
GERMANY, NETHERLANDS, ITALY, BELGIUM, AND THE US. THE AGENDA OF  
REF ( A) WAS FOLLOWED.

2. ITEMS OF CONCERN TO US WERE:

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( A) A RESPONSE HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED TO THE LETTER FROM  
THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NMPASC TO MOD CANADA REQUESTING THAT

THE NMPASC BE ALLOWED TO RESPOND TO MOD CANADA' S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT FOR THE CANADIAN ARGUS MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT. REF ( B), PARA 2 AND REF ( C) ARE PERTINENT.

( B) FOLLOWING GUIDANCE OF REF ( D), THE US REPRESENTATIVE TABLED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THE NMPASC REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT MANUFACTURING AND LICENSING THE UNIVAC 1616 COMPUTER IN EUROPE: QUOTE:

THE UNIVAC 1616 COMPUTER IS SUBJECT TO MUNITIONS CONTROL RESTRICTIONS. THUS, THE UNITED STATES CANNOT PERMIT EITHER UNRESTRICTED USE OF THE UNIVAC 1616 ON NMPA OR LICENSING FOR PRODUCTION OF THE UNIVAC 1616 IN EUROPE. IF THE UNIVAC 1616 PROVES TO BE SUITABLE FOR USE ON THE NMPA, CONSIDERATION CAN BE GIVEN TO AUTHORIZING ITS USE UNDER MUNITIONS CONTROL PROCEDURES ON A CASE- BY- CASE BASIS. UNQUOTE.

THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT.

( C) THERE WERE NO COMMENTS RELATIVE TO SALES OF ATLANTIC TO AUSTRALIA AS DISCUSSED IN REF ( B), PARA 3. B.

( D) THE NMPA MODERNIZATION SUB- COMMITTEE ( MSC) MET 8 MARCH. THE MINUTES OF THAT MEETING WILL REFLECT THAT THE US WILL BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIONS OF THE MSC ON A CASE- BY- CASE BASIS, AS THE NEED ARISES AND AS DETERMINED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE MSC. IN VIEW OF THIS DEVELOPMENT, FOLLOWING THE RATIONALE OF REF ( B), PARA 4. B.(3), AND CONSIDERING THE MEAGER RETURNS ACCRUING TO THE US FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE NMPASC OR MSC, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE US WITHDRAW FROM THE NMPASC. REQUEST CONCURRENCE. RUMSFELD

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